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SPEAKER NICHOL PRESIDING

SPEAKER NICHOL: Good morning. We have with us this morning Reverend Don Smith of the Olive Crest United Methodist Church in Omaha, Nebraska who is in Senator Pirsch's District, for our convocation this morning. So, Reverend Smith.

REVEREND SMITH: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you, Reverend Smith. Come back and see us again sometime. Roll call. Please record your presence. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Corrections to the Journal.

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Messages, reports and announcements.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have an announcement from the Speaker's office regarding designation of priority bills. Two new resolutions, LR 43 by Senator Kahle. (Read LR 43 as found on pages 946-947 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over, Mr. President. LR 44 by Senators Abboud and Wiitala. (Read LR 44 as found on page 947 of the Legislative Journal.) Finally, Mr. President, Senator Goll would like to print amendments to LB 155 in the Journal. (See page 948 of the Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp, on your motion.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have had some concerns and problems with the priority system the way it has functioned in the past and I didn't think it probably provided maybe as much good as we wanted in the legislative process, and so this morning the chairmen got together with Senator Nichol and they have come up with something that I think is not perfect but it is a lot better than what we have, and so what I am going to do is drop my proposal or just refer it to the Rules Committee for possible study next year. Hope you will support Senator Nichol in the proposal that he is going to implement because I think that will address the concerns I had or about ninety percent of them. So I would ask that that be referred to the Rules Committee and not process it any further and you do your program. which I think will solve it.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. In way of explanation now that